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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2001, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-sixth session the items entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations" and "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" and to allocate them to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the items at its 23rd, 24th and 39th meetings, on 5 and 6 November and 20 December 2001. Comments and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/56/SR.23, 24 and 39).

3. For its consideration of the items, the Committee had before it the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Operations in Albania (A/56/128).

II. Consideration of draft decision A/C.5/56/L.27

4. At the 39th meeting, on 20 December, the representative of Botswana and coordinator of the informal consultations on items 121 and 130, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a draft decision entitled "Report of the Office of Internal

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Oversight Services on the audit of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Operations in Albania" (A/C.5/56/L.27).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/56/L.27 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Operations in Albania

The General Assembly takes note of the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Operations in Albania,[1] and looks forward to the full and expeditious implementation of the recommendations contained in the report within the context of the annual report of the Office on its fifty-seventh session.

[1] A/56/128.